

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY

BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE PROGRAM MANAGEMENT OFFICE EAST 4911 SOUTH BROAD STREET PHILADELPHIA, PA 19112-1303

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Mr. Andrew J. Bernstein Law Offices of Joe Bornstein 5 Moulton Street Portland, ME 04112

Dear Mr. Bernstein:

This responds to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of March 21, 2017 in which you seek the following records:

- a. "any and all contracts and/or agreements between the Navy Caretaker Office and Change of Seasons, LLC, regarding property at 215 Neptune Drive in Brunswick, Maine, in effect on January 12, 2017."
- b. "any and all contracts and/or agreements between Navy Caretaker Office and any other third parties to perform snow removal, grounds keeping, and /or maintenance service on property at 215 Neptune Drive, in effect on January 12, 2017."

Your request was received by this office on March 24, 2017 and assigned file number DON-NAVY-2017-004863. Our search for records included files maintained by the Base Realignment and Closure Program Management Office. However, despite this diligent search, we were unable to locate responsive documents. The Department of the Navy leased the property located at 215 Neptune Drive to the Midcoast Regional Redevelopment Authority (MRRA) on January 20, 2016. Records responsive to your claim may be held by MRRA.

Fees associated with the processing of your request are waived in this instance.

If you believe that an adequate search was not conducted, you may consider this an adverse determination of your request that may be appealed, in writing, to:

Assistant to the General Counsel (FOIA) Department of the Navy Office of the General Counsel 1000 Navy Pentagon, Rm 4E635 Washington, DC 20350-1000

Your appeal must be postmarked within 60 calendar days from the date of this letter to be considered. A statement as to why you believe a diligent search was not conducted should be included and the enclosed copy of this letter should be attached. Both the appeal letter and the envelope should bear the notation, "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

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Any questions concerning this matter should be directed to Ms. Melanie Ault at (619) 524-4520.

Sincerely,

GREGORY C. PRESTON

Director